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Our store is filled to overflowing with Staple and Holiday goods of every description at the very lowest prices. Almost every known article, either useful or ornamental, you can find in our Stock.

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Having made a trip up north some time since, I made arrangements with old Santa Claus to send me an early installment of his best Holiday Goods, and the old gent did not disappoint me in the least. I left the matter wholly to his judgment, knowing from his wide experience that he would select just what would be pleasing to both old and young. I find his taste excellent, which is clearly proven by the rapidity of the sales. Below are some of his selections:

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Fine line of Work Baskets from 10 cents up.

The most complete line of Plush and Leather goods, in Jewel Cases, Work Boxes, Toilet Cases, &c., ever brought to Smethport.

Magic Lanterns.

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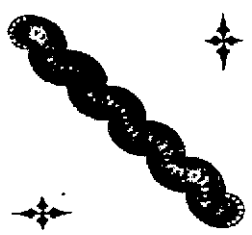
Building Blocks of all kinds.

And a thousand and one other beautiful and useful articles suitable for Christmas gifts. But our space forbids our extending the list further. We have the goods to suit all stages of life, from childhood to old age

LOW PRICES AND QUICK SALES! IS MY MOTTO.

H. C. WELLS,
SMETHPORT, PENN'A.

Holiday Gifts for Ladies



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Of the very best grades, sold for cash or on installments, at reduced prices.

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Will sell Domestic and Wheeler & Wilson machines hereafter for cash at a

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THOS. McGRAW, Proprietor, East Smethport, Pa.

Having opened business in the above place, I am now prepared to do all kinds of repairing of wagons, horseshoeing, &c. Satisfaction guaranteed.

She Took a Car.

The story of how a portly woman stopped and caught a one horse car on Lehigh avenue near Germantown avenue, though not as amusing as the actual occurrence, has its points of interest.

The driver-conductor had just let out a woman passenger when the fleshy female appeared behind the car, wildly gesticulating in a manner calculated to be understood for "Stop that car!" A masculine passenger rang up two fares on the register, but the car went on. Then another man pulled the right bell-cord and lectured the driver, while a third, supposing that the lady who had just alighted had left a basket in the car, rushed with the driver's lunch basket to the signaling fat woman, who of course didn't know what he meant, but just boarded the car, paid two fares and indecorously spread herself on a seat.—Philadelphia Record.

The Latest Query.

"Should wedding trips be abolished?" is the latest query agitating feminine readers of a London newspaper, and it seems almost as unanswerable as "Is marriage a failure?" A man with five sisters in law, however, stands up for the good old custom and says he likes having his back showered with rice and an eye shut up with an old slipper, and if he should be married a dozen times—the Turk—he'd have a wedding journey, every one. All the brides in the kingdom, too, are replying in little dove-like coos to the editor's cynical question, therefore it is presumed the wedding trip will not be abolished while bridegrooms have any money to go honeymooning with and the brides believe in rushing into print on the tender subject.

Vocal Economy.

Let the vocal pupil remember that the charm, beauty and soul of her voice will be improved and strengthened 100 per cent by the adoption of a fruit diet and clean living. This particular diet means extreme temperance and includes, among other nourishing and nutritious articles, all ripe raw fruits except bananas, stewed dried fruits, fried or baked bananas and apples, wine, lime juice, lemonade and cider and vegetables in variety. The teacher who gives this advice says with reference to cleanliness: "Look at the stage for proofs. The latter is so hard that only those who take exquisite care of themselves survive short lived popularity."—Cleveland Plain Dealer

A Term Misapplied.

The term, "south paw," as applied to left handed baseball players, is familiar to everybody, and is generally supposed to have originated from the relations of the pitcher's position in the box to the points of the compass. Probably few persons have ever given the matter a second thought, and it is not generally known that the right handed twirler is the real south paw. Most baseball diamonds are so constructed that the pitcher faces to the east, and his right arm, not the left, is to the south side. The diamond is so arranged because the afternoon sun would shine in the batters' eyes were they constructed on the opposite plan.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

New York Suicides.

It is said that seven suicides is the normal daily average in New York and vicinity. Facts collated prove that poverty, which is usually considered a primal cause for self murder, does not furnish the motive in the majority of these suicides, for most of the persons are those in comfortable circumstances.

Hurrying Him Up.

"Jack," said a pretty girl to her brother the other day, "I want you to do something for me—that's a good fellow."

"Well, what is it?" growled Jack, who is the brother of the period.

"Why, you know, that wig and mustache you used in the theatricals?"

"Well?"

"Well, won't you just put them on and go to the concert tonight? Reginald and I will be there, and, Jack, I want you to stare at me the whole evening through your glasses."

"What! You want me to do that?"

"Yes, and as we come out you must stand at the door and try to slip me a note. Take care that Reggie sees you too."

"Well, I declare!"

"Because, you see, Jack, Reggie likes me, I know, but then he is awfully slow, and he's well off, and lots of other girls are after him, and he's got to be hurried up, as it were."—London Tit-Bits.

LIVELY FIGHT WITH A SHARK.

Terrifying Experience With a Man Eater by a Man Who Was Fishing.

William Muller, an attorney of Denison, Tex., had an experience with a man eating shark at Rockport in the gulf. "I hired a small sailboat," said Mr Muller in relating his unpleasant experience, "and was out some distance from land when I baited my hook and cast it out. I used a new clothesline 100 to 150 feet long for a cord, and the hook was quite large, probably six to seven inches long;

"I felt a jerk, and in an instant the line was under the boat's rudder. I asked the boatman to reverse the sail in order that the line could be cleared. I was obliged to pull except the big fish, and as the line swung around it caught me on the back between the shoulders. I was tumbled overboard head foremost in the water some 4 to 5 feet deep. As I struck the water the fish that I had caught, an ugly eating shark, laid hold of the calf of my right leg. The pain was fearful, and I felt myself jerked rapidly down toward the bottom of the sea.

"In my fall I did not relax my hold on the line, and as soon as I realized my position I knew that my life depended on my ability to hold on to the cord. The struggle, I know was not long, but to me it seemed like an age. The cord was fastened to a beam in the boat, and inch by inch I gained on my antagonist, and as soon as I appeared on the surface the boatman came to my assistance. The shark retained its grip on my leg until my body was entirely out of the water, and even then it did not let go until the boatman knocked it off with an oar. When I was safely on the inside, however, we pulled for the shore, and as my hook was securely fastened in the mouth of the shark no trouble was experienced in landing the fish. It was between 5 and 6 feet long."—Chicago Post.

NAPOLEON'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPES.

He Seemed to Live in a Charmed Circle and Went About With No Fear.

In reply to a question in what engagements he considered himself to have been in the greatest danger of losing his life Napoleon once said, "In the commencement of my campaigns." Indeed if further proof were demanded to show that he did not spare himself at Toulon it is only necessary to add that, during the 10 weeks of its siege, Napoleon, in addition to a bayonet wound in his thigh, had three horses shot under him, while at the siege of Acre during the expedition to Egypt he lost no fewer than four in the same manner.

During the last days of his life, when captivity, disappointment and sickness had well nigh completed their work, it is said that the agony of his fatal disease drew from him on many occasions the pitiful cry of, "Why did the cannon balls spare me?"

During his long military career Napoleon fought 60 battles, while Cæsar fought but 50. In the early part of his career he was utterly reckless of danger while on the battlefield, and this spirit of fearlessness contributed largely to the love and esteem in which he was held by his armies. There was a curious belief among the English in Napoleon's time that he had never been wounded, and indeed the report was current that he carefully, if not in a cowardly manner, refrained from exposing himself. Nothing could be more contrary to the truth, for he was in reality several times severely wounded, but as he wished to impress upon his troops the belief that good fortune never deserted him, and that, like Achilles, he was well nigh invulnerable he always made a secret of his many dangers. He therefore enjoined once for all upon the part of his immediate staff the most absolute silence regarding all circumstances of this nature, for it is almost impossible to calculate the confusion and disorder which would have resulted from the slightest report or the smallest doubt relative to his existence. Upon the single thread of this man's life depended not only the fate and government of a great empire, but the whole policy and destiny of Europe as well.

Old Age.

The leaves of forest trees grow more beautiful in their age just before they drop off and die, and few people follow their example. Yet it was a Frenchman of a great mind who said if he could choose his age for a permanent residence upon earth it would be as an old man.—Boston Transcript.

A smart little boy calls himself compass because he is lived so often.

A NEW STORY

. . . BY . . .

CAPTAIN JACK CRAWFORD.

(THE POST SCOUT)

We have in store for our readers a delightful treat in the shape of a story from the pen of the above gifted writer.

. . IT IS ENTITLED . .

Private Brown,

And in its pages "Captain Jack" has depicted in glowing colors the adventures and romance of life at one of our frontier forts As a picture of a phase of our civilization fast disappearing it will prove doubly interesting.

The Opening Chapters Will Appear Soon.

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LOCAL NOTICES

Special.

Mrs. A M French who is located in the Reilly block, has secured the services of a first-class dressmaker from one of the most fashionable shops in Bradford to assist her during the holidays Your patronage is solicited feeling assured that you will be pleased with the work

Strayed

Came to the premises of the undersigned a black cow about five or six years old The horns are short and turn inwards The owner will please come forward and prove property and pay charges or the cow will be disposed of according to law JOHN L. CLARK
3 t. Mt. Alton Pa.

A Household Treasure

D W Fuller of Canajoharie, N Y says that he always keeps Dr Kings New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very results follow its use that he would not be without it if procurable G A Dykeman druggist, Catskill, N Y says that Dr King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested Trial bottles free at F R Foster's and A B Armstrong & Co's drug stores Regular size 50c and $1 00

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Specimen Cases.

S H Clifford, New Castle, Wis, was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable One bottle of Electric Bitters and one box of Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold at Frank R. Foster's and A. B. Armstrong's Drug Store.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Dr. Louis Balfour died at Eldred on Wednesday morning, of heart disease, while sitting in his chair.

—Owing to the fact that our large newspaper press is broken, we are compelled to print this week an issue in a rather condensed form

—Guy Bros.' Minstrel Troupe, gave a good entertainment to a small audience at the opera house Thursday night. This company is deserving of a good house wherever they appear

—W W Franklin, late of Austin creek, died at Avers Hill Potter county Sunday Dec 23 He was a member of the Baptist church at Austin creek Rev E H Hovey officiated at the funeral on Tuesday

—Reuben Hill, of Palmerville, who terrorized that section during the early part of the summer, was arrested Friday morning by Deputy Sheriff Davis, and brought to jail He made no resistance but was well armed at the time of his arrest

—The band serenaded several of our citizens on Christmas day and some of our generous and public spirited ones presented the boys with $18 50 in cash. It was a cold and blustery day but the band boys never let up, but continued to execute some very fine music The medley of sacred music rendered in front of the Sprague building was highly appreciated by all who heard it, and speaks well for our band boys.

—Friday Dec 21st, Miss Burch had a school exhibition in room No 1 There were present about 25 visitors, mostly ladies, who were highly entertained by the exercises of the little children who were thoroughly drilled The flag salute was grand every motion being in perfect harmony with the singing The speaking was very clear and distinct Edna Church sang a beautiful piece Her voice being remarkably good for one so small In fact every performance was of a pleasing character Too much praise cannot be given Miss Burch for the efficient management of her little scholars Evidently she loves her scholars, and there is no question that her affection is returned It is a rare treat to see such a large body of little folks so thoroughly drilled as were the occupants of room No 1 We were shown the slates of all the scholars with drawings and the larger portion of them would be a credit to grown-up people We are inclined to think it would be a good plan to elect ladies to the position of school directors as there was not one of the board present at the exhibition and they certainly missed a rare treat.

Christmas Exercises.

The Christmas entertainment of the Baptist church on Monday evening was one of the most successful and pleasant affairs ever given there It was a cantata, and contained some very pretty music which was well rendered, especially by the little ones.

The entertainment at the M E church was also a delightful affair embracing solos, quartets, duets, recitations and other musical and literary numbers Besides attending to the pleasure of the little ones, the young ladies of the church sent out baskets of provision and clothing to make glad the hearts of those less fortunately situated so far as this world's goods are concerned One of the young ladies, speaking of this branch of work, said there was more satisfaction in it than was to be found in anything she had ever been engaged in Truly, tis more blessed to give than to receive

At St. Luke's the chimes commenced ringing at 7 30 a. m., and a large congregation was present to receive communion This was followed by another service at 10.30 which was largely attended, and included some of the finest music ever rendered in the church Too much credit cannot be given Mr Albert G. Crawford the efficient organist, who was untiring in his efforts to produce the best music, in which he was ably assisted by the well-trained choir Mr Crawford designed a fine silver medal, which the rector exhibited at the service on Christmas eve. It bore the following inscription "St. Luke's choir presented by the rector to the chorister having the best record for each three months." After the services at St. Luke's on Christmas eve, the children and others went to the chapel, where a Christmas tree containing many presents had been arranged. At 4.30 on Christmas eve a service was held at All Saint's chapel, East Smethport, which was well attended.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

A. N Crandall and wife spent Christmas at Portvillis.

Chas. Lemmier spent Christmas with his brother in Eldred

Chairman T D Clark was a guest at the Central Thursday night

E. R. Mayo and family went to Eldred to spend Christmas with old friends.

A young people's party was given at the Wright House Wednesday night.

Al Pierce jr., was in town Christmas Commodore says Austin is "all right."

Will Foster, of Lewis Run, was storm staved at the Central on Thursday

"Wallum" Fuller returned Thursday of last week from his annual tour of the world

Seringenger of the Mt. Jewett *Herald*, spent Sunday on Water street, learning the baker's trade

Horace and Scott Redfield, of the St John's Military Academy, spent their vacation in town

Miss Addie Walters, of the Portage Creek school is spending her vacation at her home in this place.

Sanford L. Fry, the genial clerk for F G Lindholm & Co., is spending the holidays at his home in Buffalo

Miss Trude Walker, who is attending school at Bradford passed the holidays with her parents at this place

Misses Lee Knapp and Edna Keenan, teachers in the Bradford schools, holidayed with their parents at the hub

Claude Lefever has accepted a position in the hotel Imperial at Olean He left for that place on Thursday of last week.

Miss Rose L. Grumbine, a popular young teacher in the Clermont school is passing her vacation with her parents in town

Tom Morrison and Roy Gifford, students of Walker's Academy, Buffalo, are passing their vacation at their homes in this place

E E Sprague, of Duke Centre had the forethought to drive home on Wednesday night, and thus avoided the heavy snow Thursday

Some of our young ladies treated the young men to a dance at the opera house Tuesday night and the young men all say the young ladies are good entertainers

The People
— OF —
SMETHPORT

Will appreciate the opportunity for doing some metropolitan shopping at their own doors.

BRADY & CORSAW have opened in the new Olean House Block, Olean, one of the finest and most complete lines of Holiday goods ever exhibited in Western New York.

We particularly call attention to our line of BOOKS, TOYS and DOLLS.

We are members of the Olean Merchants' Exchange, and give trade tickets good for payment on any kind of merchandise sold in town with every sale.

BRADY & CORSAW,

Olean House Block,

Olean, - N. Y.

License Transfer Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN APplication will be made to the Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean county, at Smethport, on Tuesday, the 8th day of January, 1895, at 2 o'clock p. m., to transfer the retail liquor license granted May 16, 1894, to Harvey H. Corson to sell liquors, etc., at the Kane House in the First ward of the borough of Kane, at north and and on west side of Fraley street, the name of the person to whom said license is proposed to be transferred is Thomas Fleckenstein residing at New Bethlehem Clarion Co. Pa., occupation hotel keeper J. W. BOLTON,
Atty for Petitioner
Smethport, Pa., Dec 17 1894. 3t.

C. E. Judd,
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Lockets	Boys' Tool Chests	Pocketbooks
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SMETHPORT, PA.